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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO NOTICE TO COMPLY
WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS
CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID
SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.821-1.825

This Amendment is submitted in response to the August 17, 2000 Notice to Comply with Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures Under 37 C.F.R. §1.821-1.825 in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the Notice is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. A response to the August 17, 2000 Notice was due on September 17, 2000. However, since September 17, 2000 was a Sunday, a response filed on the next business day is to be considered timely. A response filed on Monday, September 18, 2000 is to be considered timely. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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